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From the Lexington Telegraph we take the following in reference to the fire of Friday, the 9th inst. The loss on that day, in Lexington District alone, is estimated at \$150,000 and over.

We learn, that our citizens in the neighborhood of Beaverdam creek and Rocky creek, covering a scope of country above the village of about 10 or 11 miles, suffered severely from the fire, and lost even their clothing. The whole of their houses, corn, fodder, provisions and cattle were destroyed. Great indeed is the calamity, and much distress and suffering will be the result. It is impossible for us to give a minute description of the losses of each person, but we subjoin a list of a portion of those who have been the greatest sufferers.

Mr. F. W. Green's farm, mill and machine shop; Mrs. Catherine Booser's threshing, barn and stables; Mr. Joseph Lown's out-buildings; Mr. Long's mill, dwelling, &c.; Mr. Joseph Leaphart's out-buildings, horses and mules; Mrs. Sophia Leaphart's out-buildings; Mrs. Halliwell's dwelling and out-buildings; Mr. Henry Hendrix's dwelling, &c.; Mrs. Snelgrove's dwelling, &c.; Mr. S. Johnson's barn, negro houses and fences; Allen Ballentine's dwelling house, barns and stables; Mrs. M. Dreher's out-houses and fences; Mrs. D. herself caught fire, and would have been burned to death, had it not been for the timely assistance of Mr. Joshua Kyser—Mr. John Vansant's dwelling house, kitchen barn, stables, &c.; Mrs. Van Vansant's dwelling, kitchen, barn, stables, &c.; Mrs. Van Vansant's dwelling, kitchen, barn, stables, &c.; Mrs. Van Vansant's dwelling, kitchen, barn, stables, &c.

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FIRE IN GREENVILLE DISTRICT.

We regret to learn that the well known house, of Mr. David Hodges, about twenty-four miles from Greenville C. H., on the Asheville road, was destroyed by fire on Friday last. The woods in the vicinity were on fire, but whether the house was burned by fire from the woods or a spark from the chimney, we are not accurately informed. At the same time the residence of Mr. M. Dick, near Mr. Hodges, was also burned. Mr. Hodges' loss, we have heard estimated at six or eight thousand dollars. We understand most of his furniture was saved. Mr. Dick's loss we have not heard stated.

Mr. Hodges loss is also a loss to the traveling community, to whom his house was so favorably known as a pleasant resting place—Greenville Mountaineer.

We learn from the Winstonsboro Register, that a fire occurred in that town on Friday last, which destroyed the dwelling and out buildings, belonging to Miss James Elliott.

DEATH FROM THE STORM.—We regret to learn that a young lady, a daughter of Mr. J. M. Mabrey, living in the neighborhood of Feasterville, was struck on Friday last by the fall of a falling tree, and on Saturday died from the effects. This is one of the most melancholy incidents that we have yet heard in connection with that long to be remembered day—Winstonsboro Register.

The Advertiser.

ARTHUR SIMKINS, EDITOR. EDGEFIELD, S. C. WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21, 1855.

Read and take warning!

We are now sending our accounts to all who are indebted to our Advertiser, and to all who are indebted to the limits of this State, with the earnest hope that all who may receive said notice of their indebtedness, will remit the amount as soon as possible.

Those who do not comply with the above notice, will be placed upon our "Black List," for publication as a warning to other Publishers, and their names immediately erased from our subscription books.

We are in earnest, gentlemen—send on your dues promptly and don't compel us to deal harshly with you.

Returned.—We are delighted to see our venerable and beloved Senator, Judge BUTLER, again at home in his usual fine health. Our representative, Col. Brooks, has also (as we learn) reached his residence in the upper part of the District. We wish for both Senator and Representative a pleasant vacation.

Business Notices.—We beg leave to call public attention to some of our home advertisers.

There is, first, M. LEESCHULTZ, who keeps at No. 2, Park row, one of the best Clothing Stores in the State. He has just received a highly fashionable lot of Goods for the season, made up with unusual care. This is, LEESCHULTZ is a man of taste; and our community may consider themselves fortunate in having among them one who will keep up with the times.

ROBERT H. SULLIVAN also advertises the receipt of new goods. The SULLIVANS have been in Edgefield for years, and their reputation, as men of business and probity, is well established.—J. B. has now retired from the business; but Bon still stands at the old post, and the people of Edgefield couldn't do a better thing, in the mercantile way, than patronize his brain new establishment.

So much for home folks. Now for one or two allusions to our outside customers.

There's the firm of DAWSON & SKINNER, Augusta, Ga. They keep on the Corner just adjoining the Globe Hotel. That's where they keep. But what they keep, it would be entirely too tedious to mention. Suffice it to say that they keep everything in their line. DAWSON & SKINNER is the best Family Grocery we know of at this time.

Let us furthermore call the reader's attention to the advertisement of Messrs. HICKMAN, WESTCOTT & Co., Dry Goods Merchants, also of Augusta. They are new patrons of ours, but well known in Augusta as ranking high among their competitors.

Graduated.—We notice among the graduates of the Savannah Medical College for the past winter, the name of Mr. JOHN C. W. KENNELLY, of Edgefield District.

Elegant.—Mr. EDWIN SEIBEL, our thoughtful and generous friend, has our profoundest thanks for those superb, sugar-cured hams. We have tried one already, and they are "de-facto-out."

That Singing Class.—We were much pleased the other evening to hear the admirable performances of the singing class now under training in our village. They evidenced capacity on the part of the scholars and ability on the part of Mr. J. INYNE, the teacher. One of the alto voices and several of the sopranos promise finely. The class is not yet as strong as it should be. But, altogether the class has certainly progressed rapidly.

The Court.—Never have we had in Edgefield a more quiet, orderly, genteel session of the Court of Common Pleas than the one just past. If there was the first scratch in the way of a fight, we are not cognizant of it. This is a circumstance which the "oldest inhabitant" is unprecedented in the history of Edgefield. Whether this be owing to the improving temperance of the day, or to the hardness of the times, remains to be decided.

The business of the Court under the skillful surveillance of his Honor, Judge GLOVER, was carried on smoothly and in a manner satisfactory to all concerned as it could well be.

Among the foreign courtiers, presents during the term we observed a very large one and many cases were necessarily postponed.

Beautiful Weather.—We have now prevailing most lovely Spring weather. The birds are chirping merrily, the blossoms are opening fully, the zephyrs are whispering softly, and all nature is "redolent of joy and health." Farmers are full of business—sowing, reaping, delightfully the spring in their systems. From the plowboy's whistle up to the very music of the spheres, every thing tells a tale of harmony and ecstasy. Gladsome Spring! we welcome thee, and all thy "rosy-bosomed Hours!" Thou art dear alike to age and to youth, to the free and the enslaved, to health and to disease; for thou bringest healing and delight upon thy "dew-bespangled wings." Who does not admire thy venereal cheek? Who does not yield to the spell of thy genial influences? And who can fail to go in thought beyond thy lovely attributes, and thank Him who directs thy coming and endows thee with all thy radiant charms?

Queer Comfort.—We heard from a friend this evening, saying the "Knickerbocker" editor, a bit of "consolation" tendered to a culprit who had been found guilty of the highest crime known to the law, which struck us as about the most impotent and indefinite that could well be offered him. He had just been convicted of wilful murder; and when asked if he had anything to say against his immediate sentence to death, he burst into a flood of tears, and in incoherent, agonizing words, besought the mercy of the Court. The sympathy of all present, including the Court, was excited by his anguish; but he was sentenced to be hanged, notwithstanding, at an early day named. While he was exhibiting a perfect paroxysm of grief, his counsel also began to weep; and putting his hand on his shoulder, said: "Bear up, my dear fellow, here you are! They've sentenced you to be hanged, to be sure, and you'll be hung, without doubt; but it will be the worst day of your ever saw! How the counsel arrived at this inference, or what exactly appeared to the sentencing of his friend, but vague as it was, it dried the murderer's tears, and he was carried to his cell in a comparatively calm state.

Political.

We have nothing political to say this week, except that Congress has adjourned, and Sebastopol is not yet taken and the acquisition of Cuba according to the predictions of certain filibusters is no go, and Mr. Oakes speech on the French Spoliation bill has met with large acceptance throughout the State of South Carolina, and the Know Nothings seems to be running out, and there is just now a temporary calm in the sea of Federal politics, and some say that the waves will rise again towards Fall to the serious endangering of the Ship of State, and Northern Freeholders are striving to swell the number of their party in Kansas into a majority which nobody believes they can do, and President Pierce is receiving a "Well done good and faithful" from the country at large an account of his two celebrated vetoes of the past session of Congress, and (shocking, shocking, shocking,) the distinguished Czar, the Emperor of all the Russias is said to be dead; and if there is any thing else of note, we do not recall it at this moment.

Condensed Items.

WE have received the "Atlanta Republican," edited and published by Jas. K. SMITH, and "Republican" appears to be a very interesting sheet, and we cheerfully place it on our exchange list.

BILL POOLE, the noted pugilist of New York, died on the 8th, in consequence of the wounds received in the late ring, which he sustained at a tremendous demonstration occurred at his funeral, in New York, on Sunday. He was a member of the Order of United Americans. There were over 100 carriages and upwards of eighty thousand spectators in the procession.

GREEN PEAS were enjoyed at the "Mills House," Charleston, on Friday last.

THE Senate of Massachusetts have passed, in concurrence with the House, an order directing the committee on constitutional amendments to report an amendment prohibiting Catholics from holding office in that Commonwealth. The order was amended by inserting Roman before Catholic.

THE School money for the State of New York for the year 1854, amounted to \$1,099,621.00.

THERE are eighty Know Nothing Councils in New Jersey, averaging about one hundred members each. Each member pays an initiation fee of 80 cents, of which but 30 cents is retained by the Councils, the balance going to the Treasury of the Grand Council.

THE snow drifts down at night, on the 19th, says the Boston Post, of the 13th inst., are eight or ten feet deep.

THE Pittsburg Gazette states that there is a regular organized association of blacks in that city, bound together by the most solemn oaths, and meeting in secret, whose object is the abduction of colored servants, travelling with their masters, who are supposed to be slaves.

THE Asheville News entertains no doubt but that \$1,500,000 can be raised in the counties of Henderson, Buncombe and Madison to aid in the construction of the French Broad Railroad. It is proposed to hold a convention at Asheville early in the spring to consider the subject.

THE Rev. Mr. GRAY, editor of the Nashville Baptist, who was upon a collecting tour in Missouri, nearly opposite Hickman, Kentucky, was found a few days ago murdered on the road side.

BETWEEN the 25th of December and the 13th of January thirteen vessels sailed from Rio, with 61,856 bags of coffee for the United States, of which about 13,000 bags were for Baltimore.

A FEW days ago quite a curiosity was brought up from the bottom of the Atlantic in Liverpool, Eng. At a distance of 325 feet below the surface, an over 300 feet in the rock, an egg was found, completely perfect, and perfect in shape, save where the angur had defaced it a little.

IN Russia, Herkimer county, New York, a short time ago, two boys, 12 or 14 years old, had a quarrel, when one went into the house and asked his mother to hand him a pistol from a shelf, which she did, and he shot the other boy through the head, killing him instantly.

Gov. WINSTON has issued a proclamation, setting apart Saturday, the 7th April, as a day of humiliation and prayer, to be observed by the people of Alabama.

THERE was a heavy snow storm on the Cape Friday night, and the cars from Boston for Barnstable, Saturday afternoon, could proceed no further than Middleboro on account of the deep snow.

W. W. HOUSEAL, Esq., has been elected Sheriff, and E. P. LAKE, Esq. Ordinary of Newberry District.

THE sword of General JACKSON, used at New Orleans, recently passed through Chattanooga, Tennessee, en route for the National Archives at Washington. It was broken in two pieces.

DEATH OF THE EMPEROR OF RUSSIA.

Intelligence of this startling and highly important event, was reached our city yesterday, by telegraph, and created here, as it must throughout Christendom, wherever the news travels, a most exciting interest. Speculation was immediately rife, as to the political and commercial events that may grow out of it. The despatch states that strong hopes are entertained of peace; but it also states that cotton is dull and unchanged.

We caution the impulsive not to indulge too readily in the sanguine hopes of a speedy peace, and an immediate commercial improvement. The latter must follow the former; and the former is by no means certain. That the death of the Russian Czar may diminish the obstacles to peace cannot be doubted; and if the English and French, the former especially, are sick of the war as they seem to be, and certainly ought to be, they may pocket some of their pride, submit to the mortifications they have been subjected to in the failure of their arms and their policy, and offer to agree upon reasonable terms of peace. They will not find Russian Government very exacting. But if the Allies presume upon this misfortune, to the detriment of the House of Russia, and become more arrogant in their demands, they will probably find they have to deal with those composed of as stern stuff as the Emperor Nicholas himself. He has left several grown sons, all fighting men, and two of them officers who have taken an active part in the campaign in the Crimea. They are probably imbued with the Russian spirit and pride, and they will not be likely to yield to the feeble disposition to lower either before the arrogance of the allied powers. The policy of Nicholas was dynastic, not personal. The aims of Russia have been steadfastly the same for one hundred and fifty years, and will not now be lightly reversed or abandoned.

Still, Russia will be glad to make peace on fair terms, and the Allies will avail themselves of the pretext now afforded to come down to such terms as they have hitherto scorned, and to relinquish demands which they, perhaps, regret now having insisted upon so imperiously.

Peace, of which we have hitherto not been sanguine, may now result from this momentous death. The Conference at Vienna is assembled under auspices rendered favorable thereby for peace. But there will be, at all events, a decorous sort of delay in coming to terms, and perhaps much time wasted in preliminary discussions and negotiations. This delay will be less to be regretted if accompanied by a suspension of hostilities.

How soon after a peace will it be, before the allies turn their attention to affairs on this continent, and combine to check the growing power of this country? Commercially and pecuniarily the early termination of the European war will benefit us—at least will benefit the Southern people. But taking a political view, it may be better for our permanent interests, that British arms and diplomacy should be fully occupied for a year or two longer on the eastern side of the Atlantic.

All events, let this war end when and how it may, the success of British arms and policy can rarely be a source of congratulation to the American Republic—Augusta Constitutionalist.

NEW POST OFFICE.—A new post office has been established at Hodges Depot, at the junction of the Abbeville branch of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad, and C. M. Polot, Esq., appointed postmaster. The office is called Hodges' and is about eight miles above Greenville, seven miles below Donaldville and two miles from Cokesbury—South Carolinian.

FOR THE ADVERTISER.

A SHAD HAD flown from my willow dell, 'Mid the orange groves it hath gone to dwell; Its sweet glad notes are hushed at eve, And a saddened spell doth the memory leave.

Our hearts are seared, for the brightest here—The light of the home through the fleeting year—Was our summer child, the cherished one, Who erst to another's heart hath gone.

'Twas in early May when the flowers were young The forest choir her advent sung—She was sent to gladden our youthful home As the moonbeams silver the ocean foam.

As an orphan babe, to the eldest born In its infant helplessness doth turn, So she turned to him in her trusting love—My early willow's household dove.

We'll miss her long from her greenwood home When the sweet south wind o'er the flowers roam; Or the summer hearts woe a quiet spell The dear low voice which we loved so well.

May the golden glow, which virtue owns, O'er-shine her brow, and the treasured tones—By love's bright quivering lyre sung—Emblaze the life that just begun.

And when the hallowed tie is riven, May Angela guide my bird to Heaven; And her unfettered wing be plumed Where every darling tie is resumed.

ROSE COTTAGE.

Arrival of the Steamer Pacific. TEN DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE. NEW YORK, MARCH 14, 1855.

The steamer Pacific has arrived, bringing Liverpool dates of February 27. The Union had arrived out, but the Africa had not at the time the Pacific sailed.

Messrs. Gladstone, Herbert, and Graham had resigned their positions in the English Ministry, owing to the passage of Roebuck's motion of inquiry into the management of the war. The Cabinet had been reconstituted. There was nothing new from Sebastopol.

It was reported that Lord Raglan had resigned, and Lord Lucan been recalled. The Vienna Conference will be opened in a few days, and all parties express a desire for peace.

Rumor gives Lord Elgin a seat in the cabinet, and Earl Carlisle the Viceroyship of Ireland. The new Chancellor of the Exchequer is Mr. Lewis, an Englishman, who had been in the Ministry of the Government expressing the hope that pending negotiations may lead to an honorable peace, though warlike measures continue to be prosecuted throughout Europe.

Louis Napoleon seems determined to proceed to the Crimea, notwithstanding England and Austria's attitude, but should remain at home. Russia has declared war against Sardinia.

It is reported, though not confirmed, that Tuscany has joined the Western powers. Naples has not.

It is officially announced by the allies that on the 17th Gen. Liprandi, with 40,000 Russians and 70 guns, attacked the Turks under Omar Pasha at Euphrates. The battle lasted four hours, when the Russians were compelled to retire with the loss of 400 men.

Lord Raglan, it is reported, will resign. In consequence of the severe winter in England, great distress existed among the laboring population, and many riots of a serious nature had taken place in Liverpool and London. A favorable change in the weather, however, had taken place, and ships were coming in rapidly. This will, in a measure, reduce the discontent, by giving employment to the disinclined.

Joseph Hume, it is stated, is dead. LIVERPOOL, February 27, 1855.

The sales of cotton during the last ten days have been \$1,000,000 at 1.8d. decline. Holders were anxious to realize. Fair Orleans 54d; middling 44d. Sales to speculators 2,000 and to exporters 1,000 bales. Breadstuffs were lower. Canal flour 40c. Corn 43c. Corn 44c. Money market unchanged.

Four Days Later News.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAMER AFRICA. DEATH OF THE EMPEROR OF RUSSIA. The steamer Africa arrived at Halifax on the 15th inst, with Liverpool dates to the 3d inst.

It had been officially announced in both houses of Parliament that the Emperor of Russia was dead on Friday, 23d February, of apoplexy. This caused a great excitement, and there were strong hopes of peace.

LIVERPOOL MARKET, March 3. Brown & Shipley quote Cotton dull and unchanged. Middling slightly lower. The sales of the week are 86,500 bales, of which 1000 were to speculators and 3,500 to exports. There was an active speculative demand. Fair Orleans was quoted at 54d, Middling 5 1/4d; Fair Orleans 54d. Middling 4 1/4d. Buyers demand unchanged.

Denonism says the imports of the week were 200,000 bales; and prices were easier. Middling one sixteenth lower. Fair Orleans 5 6/8d; Middling 5 1/4d. Sales Friday 6000 bales, the market closing unchanged. Stock 528,000 bales, including 310,000 bales of American.

Money was easier. The Bank expected to reduce the rates of interest immediately. Breadstuffs are unchanged, except corn which had declined 6d. to 1s. Canal Flour 40c; Ohio 43c; provisions unchanged.

Cansols had advanced to 91d. American securities were better. Advances from Manchester were more favorable.

There was nothing new from Sebastopol. The Vienna correspondence of the London Times says, that the draft for a general treaty has been prepared, securing the integrity of Turkey, preventing future encroachments and guaranteeing the rights of Christians in Turkey. This will be presented at the Vienna Conference.

Russia was still making immense warlike preparations. There was no reason to doubt the death of the Czar. It was known on Friday, that the physicians had given him up, which caused the funds to advance.

Lord Clarendon announced the fact in the House of Lords, and Lord Palmerston in the House of Commons. No details were known, but it was surmised that he was poisoned; but most probably he died of pulmonary apoplexy.

Prussia seems inclined more favorably towards the allies. THE SUFFERING IN THE CRIMEA.—The allied soldiers in the Crimea have been congratulating themselves on the termination of winter, when their sufferings, they hope, will cease. But from all accounts there will only be a change from one form of suffering to another, for as soon as the warm weather and the spring rains commence, the animal decomposition from the multitudes of dead bodies of men and horses lying unburied will spread pestilence through the camp, which will depopulate it faster than sickness is now doing. A French officer of rank says since the first landing of the troops in Turkey 80,000 men and 40,000 horses have perished. vast numbers of both now lie in masses, or scattered over the earth as they fell, it being impossible to inter them in the present state of the weather there, and they present a spectacle that is disgustingly horrid. There they will remain to be consumed by carrion, or to rot in the stench of a mile away.

THE NEW BOUNTY LAND LAW.

The Commissioner of Pensions has issued the following instructions for carrying into effect the Bounty Land law:

"Where the service has been rendered by a substitute, he is the person entitled to the benefit of this act, and not his employer."

"In the event of the death of any person who, if living, would be entitled to a certificate or warrant as aforesaid, leaving a widow, or if no widow, a minor child or children, such widow, or if no widow, such minor child or children, is entitled to a certificate or warrant for the same quantity of land such deceased person would be entitled to receive under the provisions of said act, if now living."